

ABSTRACT

Methods for treating sexual dysfunction are disclosed. The methods generally comprise the administration of an NO donor and an antioxidant; the active ingredients can be administered topically to the genitals of the patient. The methods 5 allow for localized NO delivery through topical application of the present compounds, while minimizing, if not preventing, damage associated with peroxynitrite formation. Compositions comprising L-arginine, or a derivative thereof and an antioxidant in a pharmaceutical carrier suitable for application to the genitals is also disclosed.